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## **OPGS News**

Strengthening Partners Initiative (SPI) Applications Now Available. The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grant Services is accepting applications for the 2008-2009 SPI Class. SPI is a fully funded training program for emerging nonprofit and faith-based organizations. The one-year program is designed to help nonprofit professionals move their organizations to the next level of operations and service-delivery. Executive directors (or equivalent positions) from organizations located and providing direct services in DC may apply if the following conditions are met: incorporated in DC; 501(c)(3) status from the IRS; annual budget under \$500,000; desires professional and organizational growth; and has strong commitment to complete the 12 month program and attendance requirements. The deadline for applications is August 1, 2008, at 5:00 p.m. Applications are available at <a href="http://www.opgd.dc.gov">http://www.opgd.dc.gov</a>. They also may be picked-up from OPGS, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 324, Washington, DC. For additional information or to obtain an application, contact OPGD at (202) 727-8900.

CALL FOR COACHES: 2007-2008 Strengthening Partners Initiative Class. The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGS) is recruiting leaders from the nonprofit, business, foundation and government sectors to volunteer as coaches for nonprofit leaders participating in its 2007-2008 Strengthening Partners Initiative (SPI) class. Coaches are an important part of the SPI program. Each participating nonprofit executive is matched with a coach, who provides mentoring and strategic assistance in areas of interest such as management, fundraising, board development, and policy development. We are asking that you give a minimum of 8 hours of your time. This is a great opportunity for interested individuals to share their expertise. With your help, SPI participants will improve the capacity of our community's smaller nonprofit organizations. For more information, contact Tycely Williams at tycely@tycelywilliams.com or (202) 286-1845.

# **Federal Opportunities**

Cost-Effective Approaches to Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions through Energy Efficiency, Clean Energy, and Corporate Greenhouse Gas Management. *Environmental Protection Agency* announces to advance energy efficiency and clean energy programming and policies, including corporate greenhouse gas management, through cost-effective strategies.

<u>Eligibility:</u> City or township governments, county governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, and nonprofit organizations.

Deadline: August 6, 2008.

Funds: \$6,000,000 is available to fund 20 awards.

<u>Information:</u> Kayla Roach at (202) 343-9186 or <u>roach.kayla@epa.gov</u>; or go to: <u>http://www.epa.gov/air/grants/08-04cppd.pdf</u>.

<u>State Single Point of Contact:</u> This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372. Please go to <a href="http://opgd.dc.gov/">http://opgd.dc.gov/</a>, Select "State Single Point of Contact" to comply.

GrantID: GD2899

National Center to Improve the Recruitment and Retention of Qualified Personnel for Children with

**Disabilities**. *Department of Education* announces funds to 1) help address State-identified needs for highly qualified personnel in special education, related services, early intervention, and regular education to work with infants, toddlers, and children with disabilities; and 2) ensure that those personnel have the necessary skills and knowledge, derived from practices that have been determined through scientifically based research and experience, to be successful in serving those children.

<u>Eligibility</u>: City or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, public housing authorities, private institutions of higher education, and for-profit organizations. **Deadline**: July 23, 2008.



**Funds:** \$500,000 is available to fund 1 award.

Information: Maryann McDermott at (202) 245-7439 or Maryann.Mcdermott@ed.gov; or go to:

http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2008/pdf/E8-14273.pdf.

<u>State Single Point of Contact:</u> This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372. Please go to <a href="http://opgd.dc.gov/">http://opgd.dc.gov/</a>, Select "State Single Point of Contact" to comply.

GrantID: GD2898

### Technical Assistance Center on Outcomes for Infants, Toddlers, and Preschool Children with Disabilities.

Department of Education announces funds to promote academic achievement and improve results for children with disabilities by supporting technical assistance, model demonstration projects, dissemination of useful information, and implementation activities that are supported by scientifically based research.

Eligibility: City or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, community-based organizations, public housing authorities, private institutions of higher education, and for-profit organizations.

Deadline: July 23, 2008.

Funds: \$800,000 is available to fund 1 award.

Information: Jennifer Tschantz at (202) 245-7556 or Jennifer Tschantz@ed.gov; or go to:

http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2008/pdf/E8-14123.pdf.

<u>State Single Point of Contact:</u> This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372. Please go to <a href="http://opgd.dc.gov/">http://opgd.dc.gov/</a>, Select "State Single Point of Contact" to comply.

GrantID: GD2897

# **District Opportunities**

**Supplemental Educational Services (SES) Providers Program.** Office of the State Superintendent of Education announces funds to provide SES to students that are in Title I schools and have been identified as in need of improvement for the second year. The purpose of these services is to increase the academic achievement of students in reading/language arts, mathematics, and science. These services may include academic assistance such as tutoring and remediation.

<u>Eligibility:</u> Community agencies, faith-based organizations, charter schools, private schools, public schools, libraries, individuals, child care centers, community colleges, universities, private companies, on-line schools, and family literacy programs/Even Start programs.

**Deadline:** July 21, 2008, at 4:00 p.m.

Mandatory Pre-Application Conferences: Applicants are required to participate in one of the following conferences held at One Judiciary Square, 441 4th Street, NW, Washington, DC: June 27, 2008, 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m., Room 1107; June 28, 2008 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Room 1107; and/or July 2, 2008, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Old Council Chambers.

Information: Ashaki Goodall at (202) 741-6401 or ashaki.goodall@dc.gov.; or go to:

http://www.opgd.dc.gov/opgd/cwp/view,a,1316,q,609787.asp.

GrantID: GD2901

**Electronic Grants Clearinghouse.** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grant Services* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: <a href="http://opgd.dc.gov/">http://opgd.dc.gov/</a>, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

| District Agency   | Funding Opportunity               | Deadline                    |
|---|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Department of Small and Local Business<br>Development (DSLBD) | DC Main Streets Program Year 2008 | June 30, 2008, at 5:00 p.m. |
| Department of Human Services (DHS)                            | Domestic Violence Grant Program   | July 30, 2008, at 4:00 p.m. |



| Department of Small and Local Business<br>Development (DSLBD)             | DC Main Streets Program Year 2008 (Ward 5<br>Target Area)                      | July 31, 2008, at 4:00 p.m.                       |
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| Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development (ODMPED) | Neighborhood Investment Fund (NIF) Predevelopment Grant and Project Grant Fund | July 31, 2008, at 4:00 p.m. or fund exhaustion    |
| Department of Small and Local Business<br>Development (DSLBD)             | Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP)                      | Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis. |

# **Foundation Opportunities**

**Music Instruction Programs**. *Guitar Center Music Foundation* announces funds to support organizations that are established, ongoing, and sustainable music programs that provide music instruction to people of all ages who would not otherwise have the opportunity to make music.

**Eligibility:** Nonprofit organizations.

Deadline: Open

Funds: Awards range from \$500-\$5,000.

<u>Information:</u> <a href="http://www.guitarcentermusicfoundation.org/grants/index.cfm?sec=info">http://www.guitarcentermusicfoundation.org/grants/index.cfm?sec=info</a>.

GrantID: GD2904

**Partnership to Promote Arts and Healing**. *Johnson & Johnson and The Society for the Arts in Healthcare (SAH)* announce funds to support collaborations of healthcare organizations and arts agencies in the U.S. that have established models of high quality healthcare through the use of arts and promote the use of the arts to enhance the healthcare experience for patients, their families, and caregivers.

**Eligibility:** Nonprofit organizations.

**<u>Deadline:</u>** August 8, 2008. **<u>Funds:</u>** Awards up to \$75,000.

<u>Information:</u> <a href="http://www.thesah.org/template/page.cfm?page\_id=15">http://www.thesah.org/template/page.cfm?page\_id=15</a>.

GrantID: GD2902

**Seeds for Education Grant Program**. *Wild Ones* is dedicated to the use of natural landscaping with native plant species as an ecologically better alternative to traditional landscaping practices. This grant opportunity supports project focus on the enhancement and development of an appreciation for nature using native plants. Projects must emphasize involvement of students and volunteers and increase the educational value of the site and the use of and teaching about native plants and the native plant community is mandatory. Projects must be appropriate to the local eco-region and site conditions (soil, water, sunlight).

Eligibility: Independent school districts, nonprofits, and community-based organizations.

Deadline: November 15, 2008.

Funds: Awards range from \$100-\$500.

Information: http://www.for-wild.org/sfecvr.html.

GrantID: GD2905

**Service-Oriented Canine Programs**. *Planet Dog Foundation's* goal is to support new and proven initiatives that bring people and pets together for mutual benefit and support. Funds are available to promote and financially support service-oriented canine programs that include the following: service dogs; therapy dogs; animal assisted therapy; search and rescue dogs; police, fire, military dogs; and other innovative canine service programs.

**Eligibility:** Nonprofit organizations.

**Deadline:** August 1, 2008. **Funds:** Awards up to \$10,000.

**Information:** http://www.planetdogfoundation.org/Grantmaking.asp.

GrantID: GD2903

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## **Previous Announcements and Resources**

#### **Announcements**

**Hope for Education.** *Samsung* provides U.S. K-12 schools with the latest technology products to assist in the educational process. Each year the program challenges students, teachers, parents, or anyone who knows of a school in need to write an essay regarding the importance of technology in education and how it can benefit a school in their community. In the past four years, through a partnership with Microsoft, the Hope for Education program has provided more than \$7 million in Samsung technology and software to K-12 schools in the U.S. This year the program has also partnered with DIRECTV, Inc., which will provide grants and educational television programming packages to the winning schools. The deadline for applications is August 31, 2008. For further information, go to: http://pages.samsung.com/us/hopeforeducation/index.html.

#### **Awards**

Math Hero Awards Honoring Educators. *The Raytheon Company* reward and celebrate teachers and tutors for promoting math achievement to students in a fun and challenging learning environment. The deadline for nominations is July 15, 2008. Based on the nomination process, math teachers and volunteers who work with students are eligible to receive a \$2,500 Math Hero award, while their schools or an approved math-related organization of their choice receive a \$2,500 matching grant. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www.mathmovesu.com/">http://www.mathmovesu.com/</a>.

Prize to Honor Successful Nonprofit Collaborations. The Lodestar Foundation recognizes collaboration among two or more nonprofit organizations that each would otherwise provide the same or similar programs or services and compete for clients, financial resources, and staff. The prize program also seeks to build an information base of effective practice models that can be studied and used by academics, nonprofit leaders, and grant-makers to inspire and advance their work. The deadline for nominations is July 21, 2008. Either the collaborative or each organization must be a registered 501(c)(3) organization and located in the U.S. Approximately \$250,000 for 1 award is available. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www.thecollaborationprize.org/About-the-Prize.aspx">http://www.thecollaborationprize.org/About-the-Prize.aspx</a>.

Terri Lynne Lokoff/Children's Tylenol National Child Care Teacher Awards. The Terri Lynne Lokoff Child Care Foundation acknowledges the critical role of child care teachers in providing quality early care and education. Child care teachers from all fifty states and the District of Columbia will be selected for their commitment and dedication to the children they serve. Each applicant is asked to design an enhancement project for the children in their classroom illustrating the educational, social, and emotional benefits of the project. The deadline for applications is December 31, 2008. Approximately 50 awardees will receive \$500 - \$1000 as a stipend acknowledging each child care teacher's special dedication and \$500 to fund the classroom enhancement project they designed. One recipient will receive the Helene Marks Award and an additional \$1,000. Winners will be honored at an awards ceremony in Pennsylvania on April 1, 2009. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www.tllccf.org/pr nccta.php">http://www.tllccf.org/pr nccta.php</a>.

Ward 4 ANC 4B Project Request. Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4B seeks proposals from eligible organizations to provide services to benefit the residents within the ANC 4B community located in Ward 4. The 4B community is looking for projects in the following areas: Visual Arts, Youth Education, Adult Education, Beautification, Media, Multidisciplinary Project, Interdisciplinary/Performance Art, and other small projects. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations located in DC that host projects which benefit citizens living in Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4B. Grant applications are accepted throughout the year and must be received in the ANC 4B Commission Office, 6856 Eastern Avenue, NW, #314, Washington, DC 20012, two weeks prior to the ANC 4B public meeting. The maximum amount per grant is \$1,000. To view the ANC 4B grant application form and the commission boundaries, go to: <a href="www.anc4b.info">www.anc4b.info</a>; or contact ANC 4B04 Commissioner, Malik F Mendenhall – Johnson, at (202) 557-8266 or <a href="mailt4anc@aol.com">mailt4anc@aol.com</a>.



### **Training**

**Free Online Resources.** *Google for Nonprofits* provides an informational website on how nonprofit organizations can use Google tools to promote their work, raise money, and operate more efficiently. Some of the resources include Gmail (free Google-hosted email), Checkout (collect online donations), Docs (create and edit documents collaboratively), Calendar (organize schedules and publicize events), and Analytics (understand how people interact with websites). For further information, go to: <a href="http://www.google.com/nonprofits/">http://www.google.com/nonprofits/</a>.

#### **Tools**

**Design and PR Services.** *Basis* formally *Mediastudio*, is hosting their annual Basis' 2008 CreateAThon, a 24-hour marathon of pro bono assistance for nonprofit organizations to take place in September. A CreateAThon team will work with organizations to help them with web development, create graphic design for posters, brochures or other printed items, or strategic communications consultation. The deadline for applications is July 9, 2008. For further information, contact Josh Davis at (703) 536-9775 or go to: <a href="http://www.basisbranding.com/createathon/">http://www.basisbranding.com/createathon/</a>.

**Online Use by Nonprofits Study.** *M+R Strategic Services and NTEN* have released an updated *eNonprofit Benchmarks Study* for 2008. The study analyzes online messaging, fundraising, and advocacy data from 21 leading nonprofit organizations in order to provide readers with reliable current information. Questions answered by the study include: How does your email list stack up against other nonprofits? Is it just your open rate that's declining, or are all nonprofits seeing the same results? And just what is a good online fundraising response rate? Visit the website listed above to download the updated study. To download a free copy, go to: <a href="http://www.e-benchmarksstudy.com/">http://www.e-benchmarksstudy.com/</a>.

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